

Tuolumne County Economic Forecast

Tuolumne County lies on the western slope of the Sierra Nevada, and is the home to Yosemite National Park. Transportation within the county is provided by the Sierra Railroad (freight only), several trucking firms, a county-owned airport, and bus passenger service.

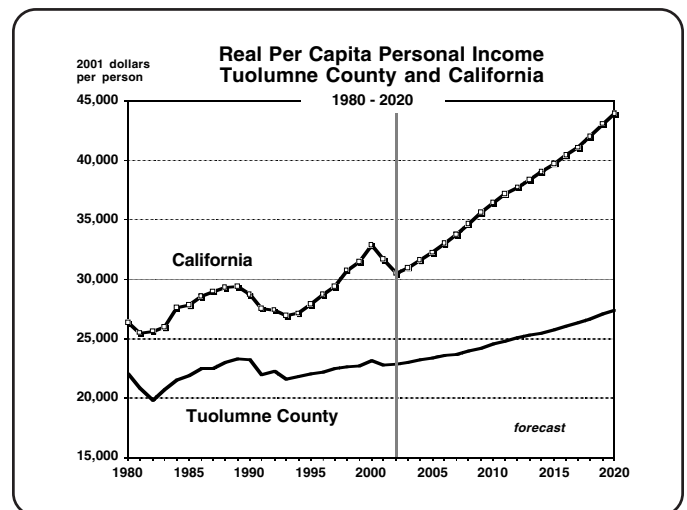
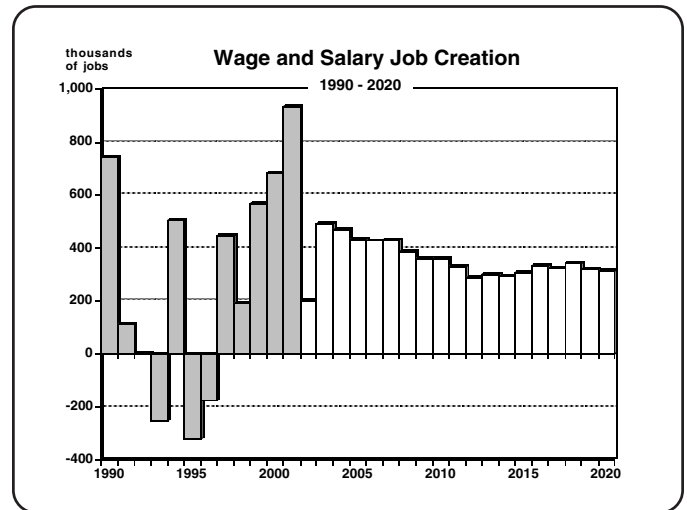
Tuolumne County's population is estimated at 55,800, an increase over 1990 Census data of 15.1 percent, or 7,345 residents. The county's population is estimated to reach 65,000 by the year 2020, an increase of over 9,000 new residents.

Tuolumne's economic base is dominated by government, services, and retail trade. Government is the largest industry in the county, accounting for 28 percent of the total employment, and projected to reach 5,700 jobs by 2007. Services (27 percent) and retail trade (23 percent) are also significant industries providing employment. The Services sector is forecast to grow at 2.9 percent per year between 2002 and 2007. Within the services sector, the health services sector is expected to create demand for many new jobs. Government will be the fastest-growing industry, with a five-year projected average annual growth rate of 4.1 percent. Retail trade is projected to add workers at a pace of 1.4 percent per year.

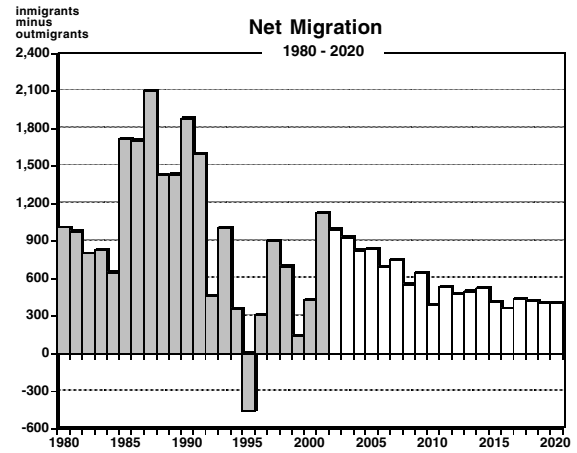
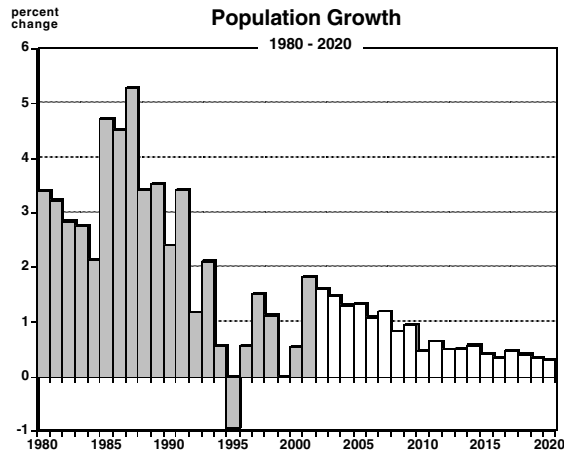
Historically, mining and timber industries dominated Tuolumne County's economy. In recent years, as these industries declined and the local economy diversified, tourism became an increasingly important industry. Most notably Yosemite National Park is one of the state's most popular natural attractions, with thousands of visitors each year seeking a variety of recreational activities. Other industries are also growing in response to the changing needs of the county, moving beyond resource-based industries and towards the growing use of computers and electronics. A significant number of high tech firms, relatively new to the county, provide components and equipment to state, national, and international markets.

Forecast Highlights

- Non-farm employment will grow 2.6 percent per year between 2002 and 2007. Farm employment is forecast to decline a scan 0.6 percent per year over the same time period.
- Real per capita income rises an average 0.8 percent per year over the next 5 years.



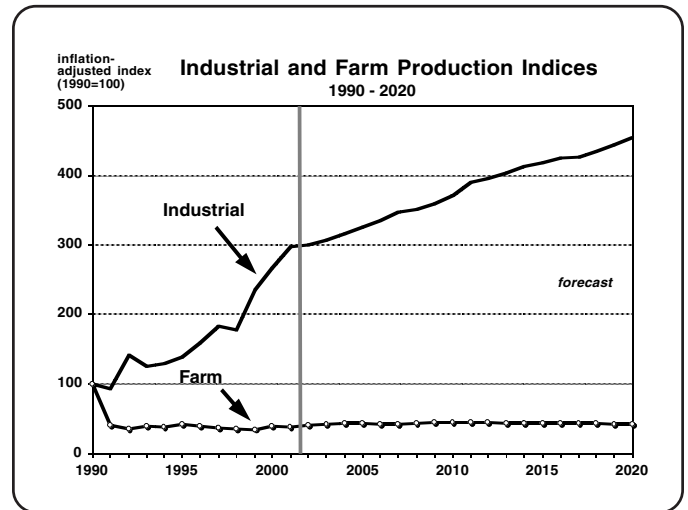
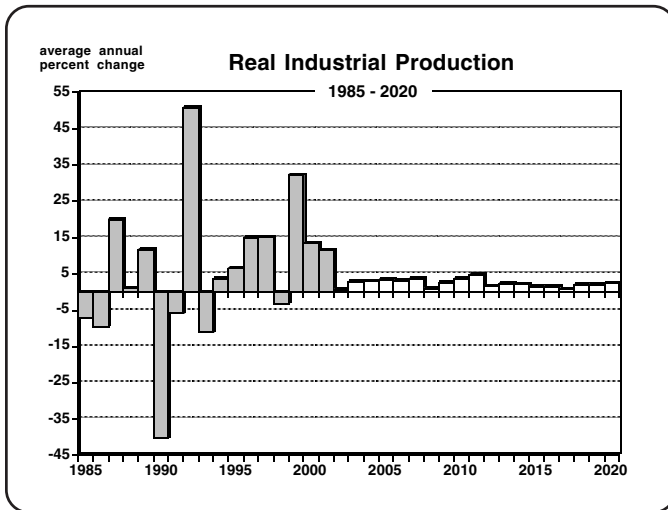
- Population growth accelerates to 1.3 percent per year between 2002 and 2007. The forecast calls for an increase in the natural rate of population growth, due to rapidly growing population in the 20 to 29 year old age cohort. Net migration is also forecast to average 850 persons per year.
- Between 2002 and 2007, an annual average of 288 new residential units are authorized through the permitting process.



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1995-2001 History, 2002-2020 Forecast

	Population (people)	Net Migration (people)	Registered Vehicles (thousands)	Households (thousands)	New Homes Permitted (homes)	Retail Sales (millions)	Personal Income (millions)	Real Per Capita Income (dollars)	Farm Crop Value (millions)	Industrial Production (millions)
1995	52,800	-459	59.4	19.6	185	\$260.9	\$927.9	\$22,049	\$15.1	\$296.5
1996	53,100	312	60.9	19.8	154	\$269.4	\$962.0	\$22,216	\$14.4	\$340.8
1997	53,900	901	57.8	19.9	246	\$282.6	\$1,020.4	\$22,450	\$13.9	\$392.4
1998	54,500	697	60.5	20.0	413	\$298.8	\$1,073.5	\$22,603	\$14.0	\$379.6
1999	54,500	143	62.6	20.1	194	\$333.3	\$1,124.2	\$22,709	\$13.8	\$502.2
2000	54,800	434	66.1	21.0	278	\$363.7	\$1,201.9	\$23,100	\$16.9	\$568.9
2001	55,800	1,125	68.6	21.1	251	\$399.6	\$1,269.7	\$22,755	\$16.8	\$634.6
2002	56,692	997	70.3	21.1	318	\$421.6	\$1,342.4	\$22,809	\$18.7	\$639.2
2003	57,527	927	72.2	21.2	299	\$443.8	\$1,410.7	\$22,988	\$20.1	\$655.9
2004	58,276	826	74.0	21.4	276	\$468.4	\$1,479.4	\$23,174	\$21.2	\$674.5
2005	59,052	835	76.0	21.6	285	\$494.8	\$1,551.2	\$23,328	\$21.8	\$695.5
2006	59,692	691	78.0	21.8	284	\$523.0	\$1,624.9	\$23,525	\$21.7	\$716.0
2007	60,402	755	80.2	22.0	269	\$551.6	\$1,699.9	\$23,696	\$22.3	\$741.2
2008	60,905	552	82.4	22.2	266	\$582.4	\$1,779.5	\$23,970	\$23.7	\$748.4
2009	61,482	645	84.7	22.4	234	\$614.4	\$1,860.7	\$24,193	\$24.6	\$766.8
2010	61,768	385	87.1	22.6	230	\$650.1	\$1,948.0	\$24,523	\$25.5	\$793.9
2011	62,167	537	89.6	22.8	197	\$686.3	\$2,037.8	\$24,779	\$26.2	\$831.6
2012	62,477	481	92.1	23.0	210	\$721.5	\$2,128.4	\$25,027	\$26.7	\$844.4
2013	62,800	499	94.8	23.1	213	\$756.5	\$2,222.3	\$25,252	\$27.1	\$862.2
2014	63,162	526	97.5	23.3	218	\$790.8	\$2,318.1	\$25,478	\$27.8	\$880.1
2015	63,426	410	100.3	23.5	228	\$827.6	\$2,417.8	\$25,754	\$28.6	\$892.0
2016	63,645	358	103.2	23.6	215	\$868.6	\$2,525.0	\$26,063	\$29.6	\$904.9
2017	63,944	439	106.2	23.8	197	\$912.4	\$2,638.7	\$26,332	\$30.4	\$911.8
2018	64,209	421	109.3	24.0	193	\$958.2	\$2,756.7	\$26,636	\$30.9	\$929.0
2019	64,431	402	112.4	24.1	185	\$1,006.6	\$2,883.7	\$27,019	\$31.4	\$947.3
2020	64,626	401	115.7	24.3	183	\$1,057.4	\$3,014.7	\$27,433	\$31.8	\$969.1



Total Wage & Salary	Farm	Mining & Construction	Manufacturing	Transportation, Utilities	Wholesale, Retail Trade	Finance, Real Estate	Services	Government
-----employment (jobs)-----								
14,236	107	642	1,156	408	3,768	567	3,563	4,025
14,063	151	692	1,118	447	3,773	482	3,293	4,109
14,508	142	728	1,184	503	3,643	478	3,531	4,299
14,699	165	801	1,183	434	3,690	473	3,710	4,243
15,266	186	869	1,168	468	3,722	492	3,982	4,380
15,948	184	984	1,250	433	3,803	529	4,227	4,538
16,883	249	1,151	1,277	447	3,849	546	4,597	4,768
17,084	244	1,153	1,279	453	3,912	561	4,826	4,656
17,576	244	1,190	1,293	456	3,971	573	5,008	4,842
18,043	242	1,202	1,315	457	4,030	581	5,164	5,053
18,477	240	1,204	1,329	458	4,087	590	5,305	5,264
18,904	239	1,211	1,340	460	4,143	600	5,441	5,468
19,335	237	1,217	1,350	462	4,199	611	5,569	5,689
19,719	237	1,214	1,360	464	4,255	622	5,685	5,882
20,080	237	1,215	1,366	466	4,310	631	5,800	6,053
20,440	237	1,214	1,371	468	4,365	642	5,914	6,229
20,767	237	1,212	1,373	470	4,420	651	6,007	6,397
21,055	237	1,198	1,374	472	4,471	664	6,064	6,574
21,355	238	1,200	1,377	473	4,520	677	6,107	6,764
21,649	238	1,206	1,380	475	4,565	690	6,146	6,951
21,955	237	1,214	1,383	476	4,608	704	6,198	7,135
22,285	237	1,227	1,385	477	4,650	716	6,265	7,327
22,608	237	1,231	1,387	479	4,692	727	6,333	7,523
22,948	236	1,235	1,388	481	4,733	739	6,408	7,729
23,269	235	1,240	1,388	483	4,775	751	6,477	7,920
23,582	235	1,242	1,389	485	4,817	763	6,544	8,107

